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During the week of November 10-14, the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Agricultural Marketing Service announced 6 commodity purchases totaling 16,055,900 pounds at a cost of $12,358,900.

The purchases were: fresh frozen cut-up chicken, bulk pack chicken; shelled English walnuts, frozen red tart pitted cherries; frozen, fried breaded Alaskan pollock nuggets, and frozen ground beef patties (100% beef and patties and vegetable protein product (VPP). Offers for thighs and drumsticks and drumsticks were rejected because offer prices were considered high based on market conditions.

Offers were invited for: fresh frozen cut-up chicken, bulk pack chicken, chicken thighs and drumsticks, chicken drumsticks; frozen, fried breaded Alaskan pollock nuggets; and frozen ground beef patties (100% beef and patties and vegetable protein product (VPP).

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Commodity	WEEK'S PURCHASES: Quantity 1/ (1,000 lbs.)	Cost 1/ ($1,000)	Award range 2/	Shipping period	OFFERS INVITED: Bids due	Acceptance by	Shipping period
Chicken, fresh frozen cut-up	2,128 (12,426)	1,400 (8,964)	$0.6276-0.6923	Dec 14-27	Nov 21	Nov 26	Dec 28-Jan 10
Chicken, bulk pack	252 (1,404)	153 (928)	$0.6075-0.6100	Dec 14-27	Nov 21	Nov 26	Dec 28-Jan 10
Chicken, thighs & drumsticks	(228)	"OFFERS REJECTED" (134)			Nov 21	Nov 26	Dec 28-Jan 10
Chicken, drumsticks	(1,862)	"OFFERS REJECTED" (1,036)			Nov 21	Nov 26	Dec 28 Jan 10

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Commodity	WEEK'S PURCHASES: Quantity 1/ (1,000 lbs.)	Cost 1/ ($1,000)	Award range 2/	Shipping period	OFFERS INVITED: Bids due	Acceptance by	Shipping period
English walnuts, shelled	2,201 --	4,200 --	$52.34-59.70	Feb 1-28		"NONE"	
Cherries, frozen red tart pitted	7,795	3,400	$10.26-12.86	Jan 1-Mar 31		"NONE"	
Nuggets, Alaskan pollock	76 (380)	105 (524)	$1.3800- --	Week of Dec 21	Nov 17	Nov 21	Week of Dec 28
Beef patties, frozen	3,604 (23,171)	3,101 (20,002)	$0.7845-0.9900 3/	Dec 14-20	Nov 21	Nov 28	Dec 28-Jan 3

1/ Upper figure is current week's purchase. Lower figure, in parentheses, is cumulative total for the ongoing purchase program.

2/ In dollars per pound--except shelled English walnuts and frozen red tart pitted cherries--dollars per case.

3/ Frozen ground beef patties (100% beef) - $0.9570 to $0.9900 per pound;

frozen beef patties and VPP - $0.7845 to $0.8131 per pound.

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AWARDS

COMPANY AND SHIPPING POINT		NO. CASES	PRICE PER CASE
CHERRIES, RED TART PITTED, FROZEN 30 LB.			
J. H. VERBRIDGE AND SON, INC.			
WILLIAMSON	NY	2,560	$12.00
TOTAL AWARDED:		2,560	PRICE: $12.00
FRIGID FOOD PRODUCTS			
TRAVERSE CITY	MI	6,400	$11.01
		3,840	$11.61
TOTAL AWARDED:		10,240	RANGE: $11.01-11.61
CHERRY CENTRAL COOP INC			
PAYSON	UT	1,280	$12.867
SALEM	OR	3,840	$12.867
TRAVERSE CITY	MI	66,560	$11.097
		66,560	$11.367
		33,280	$11.517
TOTAL AWARDED:		171,520	RANGE: $11.097-12.867
MICHIBAY FRUIT INC.			
ELK RAPIDS	MI	1,280	$11.40
TOTAL AWARDED:		1,280	PRICE: $11.40
BUSKIRK PROCESSING, INC.			
PAW PAW	MI	1,280	$10.26
		1,280	$10.32
		1,280	$10.38
TOTAL AWARDED:		3,840	RANGE: $10.26-10.38
MUIR-ROBERTS CO., INC			
OGDEN	UT	2,560	$11.95
		2,560	$12.58
TOTAL AWARDED:		5,120	RANGE: $11.95-12.58
SKYLAND FOOD CORP			
DENVER	CO	1,280	$10.50
		1,280	$10.65
		1,280	$10.73
		1,280	$10.80
		1,280	$10.95
		1,280	$11.03
		1,280	$11.10
		1,280	$11.40
		1,280	$11.70
TOTAL AWARDED:		11,520	RANGE: $10.50-11.70
UTAH PIE CHERRY COOP			
CLEARFIELD	UT	10,240	$11.08
TOTAL AWARDED:		10,240	PRICE: $11.08
GREAT LAKES PACKING CO., CORP.			
HARTFORD	MI	6,400	$11.09
		6,400	$11.39
TOTAL AWARDED:		12,800	RANGE: $11.09-11.39

COMPANY AND SHIPPING POINT		NO. CASES	PRICE PER CASE
CHERRIES, RED TART PITTED, FROZEN 30 LB.			
PETERSON FARMS INC.			
HART	MI	2,560	$11.05
		2,560	$11.23
		1,280	$11.44
TOTAL AWARDED:		6,400	RANGE: $11.05-11.44
LEELANAU FRUIT COMPANY			
SUTTONS BAY	MI	2,560	$10.80
		1,280	$11.10
		1,280	$11.25
		2,560	$11.40
		2,560	$11.55
TOTAL AWARDED:		10,240	RANGE: $10.80-11.55
DEL MONTE CORP			
SAN JOSE	CA	5,120	$12.60
TOTAL AWARDED:		5,120	PRICE: $12.60
C.H. JAMES AND CO.			
TRAVERSE CITY	MI	2,560	$11.61
TOTAL AWARDED:		2,560	PRICE: $11.61
CHERRY ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD			
WOLCOTT	NY	2,560	$12.00
TOTAL AWARDED:		2,560	PRICE: $12.00
ERLICH FOODS INTERNATIONAL			
ALBANY	OR	1,280	$12.00
SALEM	OR	2,560	$11.994
TOTAL AWARDED:		3,840	RANGE: $11.994-12.00

COMPANY AND SHIPPING POINT		NO. CASES	PRICE PER CASE
SHELLED ENGLISH WALNUTS (30-lb.)			
DIAMOND WALNUT GROWERS, INC.			
STOCKTON	CA	33,350	$52.34
		13,340	$58.84
TOTAL AWARDED:		46,690	RANGE: $52.34-58.84
C.H. JAMES AND CO.			
WINTERS	CA	6,670	$59.70
TOTAL AWARDED:		6,670	PRICE: $59.70
MARIANI NUT COMPANY			
WINTERS	CA	4,002	$55.00
		4,002	$56.10
		4,002	$57.00
		4,002	$58.20
		4,002	$59.70
TOTAL AWARDED:		20,010	RANGE: $55.00-59.70

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CHICKEN

COMMODITY A (CUT-UP)

COMPANY & F.O.B. DESTINATION	NO. LBS.	PRICE $/LB.
SANDERSON FARMS, INC.		
COLLINS, MS		
LOS ANGELES, CA (F.A.S.)	38,000	0.6732
PHOENIX, AZ	190,000	0.6618
BROWNWOOD, TX	38,000	0.6421
DELAND, FL	38,000	0.6434
TOTAL AWARDED - 304,000		
SIMMONS INDUSTRIES, INC.		
SILOAM SPRINGS, AR		
GRANITE CITY, IL	190,000	0.6405*
BISMARCK, ND	38,000	0.6570*
TOTAL AWARDED - 228,000		
ROCKINGHAM POULTRY COOP., INC.		
BROADWAY, VA		
BALTIMORE, MD	114,000	0.6600
VINELAND, NJ	76,000	0.6675
UNIONTOWN, PA	38,000	0.6675
TOTAL AWARDED - 228,000		
SANDERSON FARMS INC.		
LAUREL, MS		
SACRAMENTO, CA	76,000	0.6923
TOTAL AWARDED - 76,000		
CAGLE'S INC.		
ATLANTA, GA		
MOBILE, AL	38,000	0.6595
PUEBLO, CO	38,000	0.6858
CLEVELAND, GA	266,000	0.6562
TOTAL AWARDED - 342,000		
ALLE PROCESSING CORP.		
BROOKLYN, NY		
WESTBURY, NY	38,000	0.6325
TOTAL AWARDED - 38,000		
MORIAH KOSHER POULTRY		
NEW YORK, NY		
WESTBURY, NY	38,000	0.6276
TOTAL AWARDED - 38,000		

NOTE: * INDICATES NINE-PIECE CUT; ALL OTHER COMMODITY A IS EIGHT-PIECE CUT.

COMMODITY A (CUT-UP)--CONTINUED

GOLDENROD BROILERS, INC.		
CULLMAN, AL		
CANTON, OH	76,000	0.6355
YOUNGSTOWN, OH	38,000	0.6355
TOTAL AWARDED - 114,000		
CHOCTAW MAID FARMS, INC.		
CARTHAGE, MS		
ALBANY, NY	38,000	0.6642
MILLARD, NE	76,000	0.6537
WESTBURY, NY	76 000	0.6642
AUBURN, NY	38,000	0.6642
FT. WORTH, TX	38,000	0.6444
ST. PAUL, MN	38,000	0.6589
GREEN BAY, WI	76,000	0.6537
WACO, TX	38,000	0.6457
GRAMBLING, LA	38,000	0.6397
ARLINGTON, TX	38,000	0.6444
LOS ANGELES, CA	114,000	0.6721
SACRAMENTO, CA	152,000	0.6800
TOTAL AWARDED - 760,000		

COMMODITY B (BULK PACK)

GOLD KIST, INC.		
ATLANTA, GA		
ASHLAND, AL	108,000	0.6100
TOTAL AWARDED - 108,000		
CAGLE'S INC.		
ATLANTA, GA		
ROME, GA	72,000	0.6075
ASHLAND, AL	36,000	0.6082
BOAZ, AL	36,000	0.6082
TOTAL AWARDED - 144,000		

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FROZEN BEEF PATTIES

COMPANY/PROCESSING POINT & F.O.B. DESTINATION	NO. LBS.	PRICE $/LB.
TYPE 3 - 100% BEEF PATTIES		
H&H MEAT PROD. CO.		
MERCEDES, TX		
EASTMONT, AL	39,600	0.9570
FORT MEYERS, FL	39,600	0.9652
LAKE WALES, FL	118,800	0.9625
MIAMI PLANTATION, FL	39,600	0.9714
W. PALM BEACH, FL	79,200	0.9664
PLYMOUTH, FL	39,600	0.9625
DORAVILLE, GA	39,600	0.9588
TOTAL AWARDED - 396,000 LBS.		
MONFORT OF COLORADO, INC.		
GREELEY, CO		
MILLARD, NE	79,200	0.9761
TOTAL AWARDED - 79,200 LBS.		
ROCHESTER MEATS, INC.		
ROCHESTER, MN		
DES MOINES, IA	39,600	0.9749
DAVENPORT, IA	39,600	0.9759
BISMARK, ND	39,600	0.9859
TOTAL AWARDED - 118,800 LBS.		
SERVICE PACKING CO.		
LOS ANGELES, CA		
SALT LAKE CITY, UT	79,200	0.9700
TOTAL AWARDED - 79,200 LBS.		
SUPREME BEEF PROC.		
DALLAS, TX		
BIRMINGHAM, AL	39,600	0.9773
MADISON, AL	39,600	0.9778
EAST RIDGE, TN	39,600	0.9807
GRIFFIN, GA	79,200	0.9816
TOTAL AWARDED - 198,000 LBS.		
TAYLOR PACKING CO., INC.		
WYALUSING, PA		
MIAMI PLANTATION, FL	39,600	0.9900
AUGUSTA, GA	39,600	0.9800
LANSING, MI	237,600	0.9799
ESSEX JUNCTION, VT	79,200	0.9844
TOTAL AWARDED - 396,000 LBS.		

FROZEN BEEF PATTIES - Continued

COMPANY/PROCESSING POINT & F.O.B. DESTINATION	NO. LBS.	PRICE $/LB.
TYPE 4 - BEEF AND VPP		
GOLDBERGER, INC.		
MINNEAPOLIS, MN		
CAMBRIDGE CITY, IN	39,600	0.7981
CANTON, OH	79,200	0.8030
COLUMBUS, OH	118,800	0.8005
TOLEDO, OH	79,200	0.7991
EAU CLAIRE, WI	79,200	0.7858
MADISON, WI	79,200	0.7845
MILWAUKEE, WI	39,600	0.7895
TOTAL AWARDED - 514,800 LBS.		
REELFOOT PACKING CO.		
UNION CITY, TN		
MARTIN, TN	79,200	0.8079
TOTAL AWARDED - 79,200 LBS.		
SUPREME BEEF PROC.		
DALLAS, TX		
GRIFFIN, GA	39,600	0.8014
GRANITE CITY, IL	356,400	0.7977
CINCINNATI, OH	39,600	0.8048
EAST BERNSTADT, KY	39,600	0.8131
LEBANON, TN	79,200	0.7984
LOUISA, KY	39,600	0.8063
LOUISVILLE, KY	118,800	0.8020
OWENSBORO, KY	39,600	0.7996
RICHMOND, KY	39,600	0.8041
HATTIESBURG, MS	79,200	0.7929
JACKSON, MS	39,600	0.7908
SPRINGFIELD, MO	316,800	0.7912
UNIONTOWN, PA	79,200	0.8130
ROANOKE, VA	39,600	0.8109
TOTAL AWARDED - 1,346,400 LBS.		
TAYLOR PACKING CO., INC.		
WYALUSING, PA		
YOUNGSTOWN, OH	39,600	0.8000
ZANESVILLE, OH	39,600	0.8000
DAYTON, OH	79,200	0.8000
ALTOONA, PA	79,200	0.8000
PHILADELPHIA, PA	39,600	0.8000
SHIREMANSTOWN, PA	39,600	0.8000
SO. POCOMOKE, MD	79,200	0.8100
TOTAL AWARDED - 396,000 LBS.		

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ALASKAN POLLOCK NUGGETS

COMPANY & SHIPPING POINT (F.O.B. ORIGIN)	NO. LBS.	PRICE $/LB.
Trans-Pacific Seafoods Seattle, WA	76,000	1.3800

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